

ALL CABARRUS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES
WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THE
FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:

Tuesday, 11/11 Closed ALL DAY
(Veterans Day)

Wednesday, 11/26 Close at 5PM
(Thanksgiving Holiday)

Thursday, 11/27 & Saturday 11/29
Closed ALL DAY
(Thanksgiving Holiday)

Wii/International Games Day



Celebrate International Games Day by playing Wii games at the Concord Library. Open for teens and the family, please call 704.920.2053 for more information.

Saturday, 11/15 @ 11AM
Concord Library

Cabarrus Literacy Council General Information

WHO? If you know an adult who would like help reading, writing, speaking or understanding Basic English, the Cabarrus Literacy Council can help.

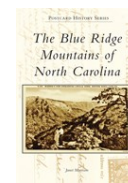
WHAT? We offer one-on-one tutoring and group classes in Basic English.

WHEN/WHERE? We have several meeting times and locations throughout Cabarrus County. Tutors are available in Mt. Pleasant, Harrisburg, Kannapolis, and Concord.

WHY? Reading, writing and speaking English better can improve quality of life, job opportunities, health, and self-esteem. If you know an adult who could benefit from Basic English tutoring, please have them call the Cabarrus Literacy Council at 704.920.2223 or contact us on their behalf at literacy@cabarruscounty.us. Visit our website at www.CabarrusLiteracy.org or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CabarrusLiteracy!



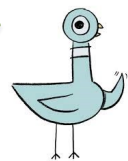
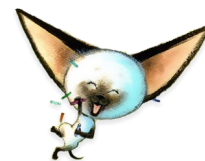
Meet Author Janet Morrison



Author Janet Morrison will talk about her new book *The Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina*, part of the Postcard History series by Arcadia Publishing. The book highlights the geography and history of twenty-three of North Carolina's western-most counties. Morrison will discuss how she acquired the large collection of postcards as well as interesting things she learned while researching for the book. Morrison grew up in Harrisburg and graduated from Appalachian State University. She has a master's degree in public affairs from North Carolina State University and currently resides in Harrisburg. Her book will be available for purchase. This event is free and the public is invited. It is sponsored by the Friends of the Mt. Pleasant Library.

Thursday, 11/13 @ 5:45PM
Mt. Pleasant Library

Story Book Character Elections



Come cast your vote for your favorite story book Character at the Harrisburg Library! Use your artistic skills to make a campaign poster promoting your favorite character and we'll hang it in the children's section. Harrisburg Library's most popular story book character will be announced on Monday, November 10th.

Monday - Thursday, 11/3-11/6 @
9AM-7PM

Saturday, 11/8 @ 9AM-1PM
Harrisburg Library

Book Discussions for Teens & Adults

Online

Beyond Mr. Darcy: Online Historical Romance Book Discussion

Love your historical fiction with a touch of romance? Can't get enough of characters like Mr. Darcy, Rhett Butler & Jamie Fraser? Join us to discuss historical fiction with romantic overtones on Goodreads! Our November selection is *The Aviator's Wife* by Melanie Benjamin— <http://www.goodreads.com/group/show/58435-beyond-mr-darcyromantic-historical-fiction>.

Despite her own major achievements, Anne Morrow Lindbergh is viewed merely as Charles Lindbergh's wife. The fairy-tale life she once longed for will bring heartbreak and hardships, ultimately pushing her to reconcile her need for love and her desire for independence, and to embrace, at last, life's infinite possibilities for change and happiness.

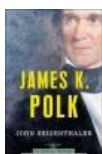


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What Happened? Historical Book Discussion

We will be discussing *James K. Polk* by John Seigenthaler, about the 11th President of the US, a native of Pineville, NC. **Registration is requested, please call 704.920.2054 to register & for more information.**

Monday, 11/3 @ 5:30PM, Meeting Room



DIBS Adult Book Discussion

Read your choice of *The Buddha in the Attic* by Julie Otsuka and/or *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* by Muriel Spark.

Registration is required, please call 704.920.2053.

Tuesday, 11/4 @ 5:30PM, Meeting Room



Harrisburg

Adult Book Discussion

We'll be reading and discussing *Lock In* by John Scalzi.

Monday, 11/24 @ 5PM

A highly contagious virus is exposed to the world. For 1%, the virus causes the victims to become "Haden's": fully awake, but unable to move or respond to stimulus. 25 years later, FBI agents Chris Shane and Leslie Vann are assigned to a Haden-related murder, with a suspect who is an "Integrator" – someone who can let the locked in use their bodies. Further Integrator-Haden murders occur, making the case larger than expected.



Teen Book Discussion

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Kannapolis

Bookends Book Discussion

Amaryllis in Blueberry by Christina Meldrum.

Tuesday, 11/4 @ 6PM

Wednesday, 11/5 @ 10:30AM

In the stirring tradition of The Secret Life of Bees and The Poisonwood Bible, this book explores the complexity of human relationships set against an unforgettable backdrop. Told through the haunting voices of Dick and Seena Slep and their four daughters, Christina Meldrum's soulful novel weaves together the past and the present of a family harmed and healed by buried secrets.



Teen Book Discussion

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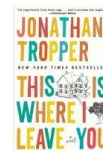
Mt. Pleasant

Eclectic LitWits Book Discussion

We will discuss *This Is Where I Leave You* by Jonathan Tropper.

Tuesday, 11/25 @ 11:30AM

Jonathan Tropper's most accomplished work to date and the basis of a recent movie, this novel is a riotously funny, emotionally raw novel about love, marriage, divorce, family, and the ties that bind--whether we like it or not. The death of Judd Foxman's father marks the first time that the entire Foxman clan has congregated in years. There is, however, one conspicuous absence: Judd's wife, Jen, whose affair with his radio-shock-jock boss has recently become painfully public. Simultaneously mourning the demise of his father and his marriage, Judd joins his dysfunctional family as they reluctantly sit Shiva and spend seven days and nights under the same roof. The week quickly spins out of control as grudges resurface, secrets are revealed, and old passions are reawakened.



Adults

Concord

Genealogy on the Internet

Beginners in genealogy can learn how to utilize the internet to do genealogy research to find family surnames and ancestors using free genealogy resources and subscription sites like Ancestry. Attendees are welcome to bring personal laptops to follow along. **Space is limited and registration is required. For more information or to register, please contact Patricia Chandler at 704.920.2061 or email at pschandler@cabarruscounty.us.**

Monday, 11/10 @ 5:30PM, Meeting Room

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint

This class will go over the basics of creating presentations. This class requires basic computer skills. **Spaces are limited and registration is required, please call 704.920.2054 to register.**

Monday, 11/17 @ 5:30PM, Meeting Room

Harrisburg

eReaders Made Easier

Would you like to learn more about your tablet and how you can read books on it? We will be discussing our online resources for eReaders and how you can get the most out of your tablet. All tablets are welcome, but you do not need one to attend the class.

Wednesday, 11/12 @ 5:30PM

Introduction to Email

Are you a little lost when it comes to e-mail? We will go over the very basics: setting up an account, how to access your messages, and basic function of e-mail. This class requires basic computer skills.

Monday, 11/17 @ 5:30PM

Friends of the Harrisburg Library Meeting

The Friends of the Harrisburg Library (FOHL), a not-for-profit organization, is able to support the Harrisburg Library by providing new books, much-needed equipment, programming for children, teens and adults, and by expanding the library's offerings and services. Strong, ongoing support from Harrisburg's residents help the Friends continue to make a difference and make the Harrisburg Library the best it can be. All are welcome to attend. Find out more at friendsoftheharrisburglibrary.webs.com.

Monday, 11/17 @ 10AM

Kannapolis

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Do you want to learn more about Microsoft Word? We will go over the basics: how to create a document, what you can use it for, and how to enhance your document. This class requires basic computer skills and will include hands-on exercise. **Registration is required, please call 704.920.1180.**

Tuesday, 11/4 @ 10AM

Computer Basics

Feeling lost when it comes to computers? We will discuss the parts of a computer, practice mouse skills, learn about programs, create documents and more! This is a class for those with very little or no experience with computers.

Registration is required, please call 704.920.1180.

Thursday, 11/13 @ 2PM

Build a Better Resume

Do you need help building and enhancing your resume? We will learn how to use the Cypress Resume Builder to create your perfect resume for any job. This class requires basic computer skills. **Registration is required, please call 704.920.1180.**

Monday, 11/17 @ 10AM

Arts & Crafts Show-n-Tell

Are you creative? Want to share your crafts with others? Join us for our show-n-tell night. Bring your craft in to share and discuss your process. Don't have a craft to share? Come out to be inspired by others' creations! Adults and teens welcome!

Thursday, 11/20 @ 5:30PM

Mt. Pleasant

Friends of the Mt. Pleasant Library, Inc. Meeting

Friends of the Mt. Pleasant Library Inc. is a non-profit group of citizens who work together to stimulate a greater interest in and use of the library. The Friends of the Library share a common goal to lend active support to our library's services and programming by assisting with programs and events, and sponsoring special programs for children, teens and adults.

Monday, 11/3 @ 5:30PM

Meet Author Janet Morrison

****See blurb on the front page to learn more about this fantastic author event!****

Thursday, 11/13 @ 5:45PM



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Children & Families

Concord

Baby Story Time

Songs, stories, and finger plays, followed by playtime for babies and networking for parents. Ages 0 - Walking with caregiver.

Tuesdays, 11/4, 11/18, 11/25 @ 9:15AM

Toddler Story Time

Stories, songs, finger plays and more, followed by playtime for toddlers and networking for parents. Ages Walking-3 Years with caregiver.

Wednesdays, 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 11/26 @ 9:15AM

Preschool Story Time

Stories, songs, finger plays, movement, and more. Tuesday's program repeats on Thursday of each week. Ages 3-5 Years with caregiver.

Tuesdays, 11/4, 11/18, 11/25 @ 10AM
Thursdays, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20 @ 10AM

Family Story Time

Stories, songs, and movement for children and families of all ages.

Saturday, 11/1 @ 11AM
Monday, 11/3 @ 5:30PM

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Day

Celebrate the release *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul* at the library! Drop in all day for Greg-themed games and activities, then put yourself on hold for the new book. All ages welcome.

Tuesday, 11/4 @ 9AM-7PM

Pilgrim Pop-up Cards

Cozy up with some fun fall stories with a Thanksgiving theme. We'll create our own 3-D pilgrim pop-up cards that you can keep or give to a family member or friend — they'll be thankful you did! Ages 5-12.

Thursday, 11/13 @ 4PM



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League of Extraordinary LEGOs®

We'll bring the LEGOs®, you bring your imagination and building skills! Ages 4-12.

Tuesday, 11/18 @ 4:30-5:30PM

Thanksgiving Story Time

Join us for a special story time celebrating all things turkey-day! We'll read Thanksgiving stories and make a turkey puppet to take home. Ages 3-5.

Thursday, 11/20 @ 10AM

BeTWEEN the Lines

New Novel November! Read any book from the new shelf at the library and join us for our monthly meeting, where you will make a clay sculpture inspired by the book you read. We will share our creations with the group and advise each other about what to read next. Ages 10-12.

Thursday, 11/20 @ 4:30PM

Awesome Pageturners!

New Novel November! Read any book from the new shelf at the library and join us for our monthly meeting, where you will make a mystery craft inspired by the book you read. We will share our creations with the group and advise each other about what to read next. Ages 8-10.

Tuesday, 11/25 @ 4:30PM



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Thursdays, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20 @ 10AM

Nursery Rhyme Olympics

Come read nursery rhymes, then compete in the Nursery Rhyme Olympics where we'll be jumping like Jack (be nimble), sticking spiders on Little Miss Muffet, and playing other games. Everyone wins a Mother Goose Medal! Ages 4-8.

Thursday, 11/6 @ 4PM



Scientific Feast

What to do while waiting for your feast...while Moms not looking. Butter making, burping fun, straw fun, ice measurement, chameleon jelly, gobble bird callers, plus more and stories of course! Ages 5-12.

Wednesday, 11/12 @ 4PM

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Get Real - Book Discussion

Read your choice of an animal story, fiction or non-fiction and join us for book discussion and activities.

Ages 10-12.

Thursday, 11/13 @ 4PM

Monday, 11/17 @ 3:30PM

Kannapolis Kids - Book Discussion

George Brown, Class Clown's burps are magic. A magic wind makes Katie Kazoo, Switcheroo jump into another body. Read a book from either of Nancy Krulik's wacky series (*George Brown, Class Clown* or *Katie Kazoo Switcheroo*), then join us for a discussion. We'll also make a magic mask.

Ages 8-10.

Saturday, 11/15 @

11AM



Theatre Workshop

Learn about the theatre, explore books and bring out the actor in you. Experience mime, improvisation, and dialog scripts. **Registration is required.**

Ages 7-12.

Tuesday, 11/18 @ 3PM

Writing Workshop

Come and bring out the creative writer in you. Also explore books to spark your writing creativity. Ages 7-12.

Tuesday, 11/25 @ 4PM

Dig Into LEGOs®

Have fun building with LEGOs® and meeting new friends! Ages 4-12.

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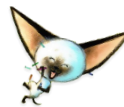
Harrisburg

*We will not have story times and regularly scheduled events from 10/23 - 11/6 due to elections.

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Paws for Reading

Stop by and practice reading with a registered therapy dog! Ages 5 -12. Mondays, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24 @ 3PM

Read with Me Book Discussion

Child and parent will need to read *Mr. Tiger Goes Wild* by Peter Brown and draw a picture of the Mr. Tiger they like best in order to bring to the

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discussion and share. We'll read and discuss *It's a Tiger!* by David LaRochelle as well as *Mr. Tiger Goes Wild*. Then we will make our own tiger. Ages 4-7.

Thursday, 11/13 @ 5:30PM

Let's Build with Legos!

Our theme this month is Thanksgiving. We'll build things we are thankful for. Ages 4-12.

Wednesday, 11/19 @ 5:30PM

Magic Tree House Book Discussion

We will discuss *Viking Ships at Sunrise* by Mary Pope Osborne and map out our own viking ship in the room. We'll also make our own book titled *Serpens Magna* and create and illustrate our own stories about great serpents of the sea. Ages 7-10.

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Noodlehead Story Time

Stories, songs, and more, for the elementary-aged crowd. Ages 5-12. Tuesdays, 11/4, 11/18, 11/25 @ 3:30PM



Read! Build! Play!

The Read! Build! Play! experience brings together reading, building, and storytelling in an exciting educational way using LEGO® bricks. Ages 4-12. Saturday, 11/15 @ 10AM

Teens (Grades 6-12)

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Minecraft Mania

Join in on the fun and create wonders in Minecraft's exciting creative mode. Ages 7-15. **Registration is required, call 704.920.2080 to register.**

Monday, 11/10 @ 5PM

Worldbuilding Workshop

Interested in fantasy or science fiction? Have you ever wondered how authors build the incredible worlds their characters inhabit? Join us for a short worldbuilding exercise and help create a world from scratch using your input and reveal resources that can help you build your own worlds at home! Young adult author Melinda Metz will offer a short introduction and will give examples of what she has done in the past to worldbuild.

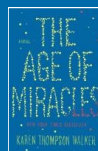
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